

Ross McIntyre has recently resigned from full time involvement with Engineering Heritage Canberra (EHC) after more than 23 years continuous active participation in the group's activities. Ross has served as EHC's Chairman, Secretary and Treasurer, multiple times over this period.

Ross served in the RAAF during the Second World War as an airfield construction engineer, mainly in Papua New Guinea constructing runways and airbase facilities carved from virgin jungle. The rest of his career post-war was spent in the public works domain, both within the nation's capital and on secondment to the Snowy Mountain Authority. He served as Director of the Commonwealth Department of Works (ACT) during the halcyon years for public works in Canberra from 1966 to 1984. During this time he was involved with, or led the engineering activities on, many iconic Canberra engineering structures such as Corin Dam, the Lower Molonglo Water Quality Control Centre, the suburban arterial road network and the Australian Defence Force Academy. Since retirement in 1984, it is this intimate knowledge of the fabric, the people and the policy aspects of Canberra that Ross has been able to bring to EHC.

He has worked tirelessly on recording Canberra's history, having played a major role in the issue of the second edition of EHC's book, '*Canberra's Engineering Heritage*', and written significant engineering heritage papers on the occasion of the Diamond Jubilee of the Canberra Division in 1987 and again on the 75th anniversary in 2002. He has made a significant contribution to the marking of engineering heritage sites in the ACT, and he has been personally responsible for the successful nomination of several sites.

Ross has been a member of Engineers Australia since 1941 and was Chairman of the Canberra Division in 1973. He was inducted as a member of the 'Hall of Fame' of the Canberra Division in 2002 in recognition of his outstanding contribution to the engineering fabric of the nation's capital. Ross has always been prepared to contribute his time and considerable talents to EHC at any level with energy and enthusiasm.